

Steering Committee Meeting  
January 11, 2006

Meeting was called to order with introduction by Co-chair Mike Murray

Co-chair Mike Murray thanked everyone for coming and informed the group that this is the most important project in Long Beach this year.

Self-introductions were made by members in attendance

Connie Sziebl gave an update about the dedication ceremony for the Transitional School for Homeless Children on Thursday February 9<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 – 12:00. It has been in the making for 12 years. This school will feed into Hudson Elementary and will be part of Long Beach Unified.

Corinne Schneider of the Department of Health and Human Services informed the members that a ribbon cutting ceremony for the year-round shelter will be on February 9<sup>th</sup>. Flyers will be handed out.

Presentation of 10 year plan website was given by Corinne Schneider. Corinne reviewed key points on the website and added that the staff is looking for suggestions or postings throughout the year.

Power Point presentation entitled "Study of Other City's Ten Year Plans" given by Joel John Roberts

Power Point now available online at:

[http://www.ci.long-beach.ca.us/health/services/homeless\\_services/10yr\\_plan.asp](http://www.ci.long-beach.ca.us/health/services/homeless_services/10yr_plan.asp)

Joel John Roberts gave a brief sketch of what is happening around the country in terms of ten year plans.

Corinne Schneider noted that Long Beach was the only community to host a job fair.

Jack Smith presented Homeless Awareness Video entitled "Daniel's Family" which will be shown to the city council. The Grunion Gazette featured a story about the family pictured in the video. As a result members of the community donated time and money, and the family has been placed in a home and is working with a case manager.

Updates from C of C and implementation of plan:

- Subcommittee is developing a matrix to look at all types of services to help prevent homelessness, services that currently exist, who provides these services, and what gaps exist within these services.
- Also discussed: How to make transition to permanent housing

Updates from Housing:

- Need to educate community-public buy-in, talk about barriers to housing, apartment owner attitude
- Explore housing design and sites

Patricia Speelman was not present to update Prevention Strategies

Corinne Schneider gave a final review

Meeting adjourned